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The Falcons lose three of four against Marshall this weekend; **PAGE 7**

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# University cuts back on paper use

By Kara Hull  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

While it may be impossible to run an institution without using paper, University officials want to come as close as they can. In the effort to save money through efficiency, new technologies are leading the way.

"I'm not saying we're going to have a paperless campus, but we can move in that direction," Linda Dobb, University executive

*"The difference is really going to be held through the student employer where they're now going to be looking at a PC approving time instead of with a paper document."*

JIM STAINBROOK, CO-CHAIRMAN ON COMMITTEE TO BRING E-TIME TO CAMPUS

vice president, said. "If there's a way to eliminate some paper, then we need to try to do it."

Dobb, who has been heavily involved with the creation and continuous improvements of the MyBGSU portal, cites the site as a starting place for savings. A pilot

is currently in action sending Bursar bills to employees through e-mail rather than a mailed paper statement.

"What we're trying to do is create more services there versus sending paper," Dobb said. "All of the special services that have

been centralized are wonderful."

According to Dobb, a conference will occur over the summer with administrators from other universities in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, all of whom also use a Blackboard system, in an attempt to continue to add more services

to MyBGSU.

"The real deal here is we're going to try to stop using paper as much as possible," Dobb said. "We're trying to maximize the use of that service, and we'll be bringing people from all over to swap ideas."

One idea that has been on the table for over a decade will finally begin a test phase at the end of May. The eTime system, which will automate the calculation of student employment hours, will eliminate the need for paper time sheets and other time-keeping methods currently used on campus.

According to Jeff Nelson, a co-

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## Park hosts color-filled Indian festival

By Dmitry Bulgakov  
REPORTER

The University's Indian community celebrated a festival of colors Saturday afternoon in the City Park.

The event, sponsored by the India Student Association, is in recognition of Holi, which is known as the Festival of Colors. Holi is a traditional festival held in Northern India.

"It celebrates that good overcomes evil. The demon is being killed and the entire region celebrates it," said Nandhu Radhakrishnan, president of the India Student Association and one of the organizers of the event. "It is a Hindu festival. And it is celebrated every year around March-April, right in the springtime."

Holi is known for its paint-throwing, when people — even strangers — are hit with colors being poured from atop houses, via balloons or water pistols squirting colored water.

"This is a festival of colors, so what we do is we have different colors dissolved in water and just spray people," Nitin Warier, secretary of the Indian Student Association, said while filling up his water pistol with colored water. "And since colors signify happiness, that is the basic idea of the festival." According to the organizers, the colors they use do not stay and can be easily washed away.

"We use pistols and cups to throw water on everybody — whatever suits," Warier said, recalling his Indian experience. "It is celebrated on the large scale, people, over fifty or hundred of them, gather in one place, all friends and relatives. Right through, morning to evening, they play with colors. They have lots of games and have a very nice time. Lots of good food, of course."

According to Radhakrishnan, on this occasion people also consume "bhang," a hallucinogenic drink made from cannabis and milk, or some other ingredients. Bhang was not used on Saturday.

Indian Student Association, which comprises approximately 60 Indian students and some faculty members, is not only about the Festival of Colors. Members celebrate at least three festivals a year, and have welcome parties for the new coming students and other cultural events.

"It is a place where you can meet all other Indian people that

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## IT'S SHOW TIME



Photos by Carrie Hoots

**GAME SHOW:** Beginning art students displayed their work at the Annual Foundations Public Art Event Friday. All displays at this year's game show-themed exhibit were interactive. Clockwise from left: Clown faces adorn posts in the lawn of the Saddlemere Student Services building as part of an exhibit on strange phobias; a sophomore art student plays with giant cards from an exhibit on Las Vegas; Jason Malafarina dresses a mannequin for his "Real or Ideal" exhibit, which allowed visitors to match their heads to the body of one of four life-sized people paintings.



## MyBGSU aids in search for housing

By Chuck Soder  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

I thought I'd be homeless this summer.

Originally, I was to pay summer rent on a year-long lease for someone set to live with my current roommates during the '03-'04 school year. That fell through. With only a month left on my lease, I figured I would be spending my summer nights in the stick huts by Anderson Arena.

In despair, I placed a cry for help on MyBGSU, which is part of the University Web site. Within a week, six online knights in shining armor came to my rescue.

All I had to do was place a note on the site's section called "Need a room or a roommate?" Within a week, I was receiving e-mails and phone calls from folks dying for my rent money. First I had nowhere to live — now I had too many options.

Turning away so many potential roommates was hard, but it was worth finding decent summer housing on short notice.

MyBGSU worked quite well, aside from the fact that most students who posted were females searching for female roommates. But MyBGSU isn't the only oasis for students on the edge of homelessness.

Off-Campus Student Services serves as a liaison between those with housing and those who want it, according to Georgia Folkins,

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## North Korea defiant in weapons demands

By Soo-Jeong Lee  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SEOUL, South Korea — South Korea demanded yesterday that North Korea abandon any atomic weapons development, but Northern negotiators in Pyongyang stonewalled the nuclear discussion, calling it a matter between North Korea and the United States.

Chief North Korean delegate Kim Ryong Song refused to confirm a claim made during talks last week with U.S. and Chinese officials in Beijing that North Korea is making nuclear weapons, and instead sought to steer yesterday's Cabinet-level talks toward inter-Korean eco-

nomic projects, Seoul officials said.

Washington believes North Korea has one or two atomic bombs and may be trying to make more. The North has disputed that claim, saying its nuclear program is meant to generate much-needed electricity.

Possession of nuclear weapons would be a "serious violation" of a 1992 inter-Korean agreement to keep the peninsula nuclear-free, South Korean Unification Minister Jeong Se-hyun reminded North Korea, according to South Korean government spokesman Shin Eun-sang.

"We made it clear that we can never accept North Korea's possession of nuclear weapons," Shin said yesterday, according to South Korean pool reports from Pyongyang. "We emphasized that the North should dismantle nuclear weapons, if it had any, as well as its nuclear facilities."

Jeong is leading a five-member South Korean delegation to Pyongyang in the first high-level talks between the Koreas since President Roh Moo-hyun took office in February. Foreign journalists were not allowed to cover the event.



AP Photo

**TOASTING:** South Korean chief delegate, Unification Minister Jeong Se-hyun, left, toasts with his North Korean counterpart Kim Ryong Song, right, yesterday. South Korea demanded that North Korea abandon its nuclear weapons program, if it has any.

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### FOUR-DAY FORECAST

The four-day forecast is taken from weather.com

#### TUESDAY



Partly Cloudy  
High: 70°  
Low: 42°

#### WEDNESDAY



Few Showers  
High: 64°  
Low: 46°

#### THURSDAY



Scattered T-Storms  
High: 70°  
Low: 53°

#### FRIDAY



Scattered T-Storms  
High: 67°  
Low: 40°

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# Technology ups savings

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chairman on the committee to bring eTime to campus, funding for the system is what has kept it away for so long. "The problem was always because it was so decentralized that no one was willing to pay for it," Nelson said.

The project, now headed by the University's Chief Information Officer Bruce Petryshak, includes the cost of electronic readers designed so student employees can use their ID cards to clock in and out. Each reader costs \$750.

Nelson, the director of the University Bookstore, can foresee the benefits that the eTime system will bring within his own department. "I have someone who sits there adding up the time cards every Monday morning," Nelson said. "In this day and age, that's crazy. Once the time that we spend adding up hours goes away, it'll allow staff to spend more time in other areas."

The test period will start with

the libraries, Facilities Services and the Office of Student Employment. Evaluating the system mainly by the reaction of users, eTime could become campus-wide as early as fall semester if the trial proves successful.

According to Jim Stainbrook, Nelson's co-chairman, the effects of switching to the system should be minimal for students. The real change, however, will involve student supervisors.

"I think as far as students go, it's going to be pretty transparent," Stainbrook said. "The difference is really going to be held through the student employer, where they're now going to be looking at a PC approving time instead of with a paper document."

According to Petryshak, more projects utilizing technology to reduce paper use on campus are in the works. Among these, a new application system is being installed to place departmental phone bills online and stop the need for printing them for review.

Also, typical office documents will soon be available online and will reduce the need to print, according to Toby Singer, executive director of Information Technology Services.

"That will save time, money, storage costs, paper, paper dust and the labor power required for carrying the forms because sometimes these documents can fill boxes," Singer said. "There's lots of things that are happening as we move forward with this stuff, and you'll start to see more and more as technology gets in line."

Officials are also reviewing a project that will allow for easier retrieval and storage of documents on the Web for offices on campus. "Part of that project will probably include some document imaging and data warehousing," Petryshak said. "In the data warehouse, there's better access to information, so that could help save in reducing some printing of reports and will auto-

mate the work flow process."

All projects to increase efficiency are made possible by the University's strong technological foundation, Petryshak said. This foundation is assisted by the University's membership in Internet 2, a research consortium of more than 200 universities across the nation looking at next generation Internet.

"The foundation is there, so if you find an opportunity you can more easily take advantage of it," he said. "The investments that we have in our current technology including the Supernet, made it possible to be a member of that, and without those things we wouldn't be able to do that."

The introduction of such technologies at the University has been well received by most, according to officials. "Technology is second nature to many people now," Dobb said. "It's grab it and go."

# New housing adds to options

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coordinator of the program.

Folkins said students looking for summer housing so late in the year are outnumbered by those wanting to rent out their places for the season.

"Most people are trying desperately to lease their apartments," Folkins said. "They're leaving because they want to go home for the summer."

The situation for students needing housing is particularly good right now, with the presence of new homes and apartments from Sterling University Enclave and MECCA Management, among others.

"There's a lot of housing out there," she said.

The deal is better for last-minute shelter-shoppers. Though selection may be better in fall, prices are often lower

now, Folkins said. This matched my experience — my renters sweetened the deal by cutting my monthly rate by \$20.

"You have some people saying 'I'll pay the first \$100 and up to half the rent,'" she said. "Anything to try to get a little money out of their summer [lease]."

Off-Campus Student Services helps students pair up with realtors and those looking for subleasees. Their web site has links to eight local rental agencies. The program also provides free contact information in the Hazel H. Smith Lounge on the second floor of the Student Union.

While Off-Campus Student Services is willing to help, the search is still a student's responsibility, Folkins said. "I can't go out and find housing for them."

## Students from India join together at festival

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are on campus," Khani Begum, faculty adviser, said. "For the foreign students who are here, who feel sort of alone, this is one place where they can come and feel like they're at home. They can eat Indian food and meet with other Indians with whom they share the language. So it is a place where they can re-establish the sense of their own identity."

The group will host a classical Indian singer, native to the country, on Friday at 7 p.m. in 1040 Moore Musical Arts Center. The event is free and open to the public.

## Weekly Forecast

Brought to you by BG News Student Meteorologist Nicholas Eckstein

The last week of the Spring semester looks mild but wet as fronts extending from a developing low pressure system in the Plains give a chance of rain throughout northern Ohio most of the week.

Today will be warm with a high in the mid 70s. Clouds will be on the increase, however, and the chance of scattered showers and thunderstorms will increase throughout the afternoon and evening as a cold frontal boundary extending east from a low-pressure system in the Southwest drops south across the area.

Tuesday should be slightly cooler as the front remains just to the south of the area. Highs will be in the upper 60s, and

skies will be mostly cloudy. There is a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms during the day.

The front will begin to make northern progress again Tuesday night, once again becoming a warm front and bringing a good chance of showers and thunderstorms to northwest Ohio. The likelihood of thunderstorms hitting will be high again on Wednesday as the front slowly progresses towards the north. Temperatures on Wednesday should remain in the mid to upper 60s.

Showers and thunderstorms will be likely again on Thursday as the low pressure system passes just to our north. The

cold front associated with this storm will move through Thursday evening as cooler air moves in behind the low. As a consequence, Friday will be cooler with a high near 6, but skies will clear throughout the day and overnight as high pressure moves in from the north.

After a chilly morning, Saturday will be a partly sunny day but cool day with a high temperature in the upper 50s to near 60. As the high pressure system moves to the east, warm advection should begin again on Sunday, allowing temperatures to climb into the 60s and giving northwest Ohio a chance at showers and thunderstorms heading into the beginning of Final Exam week.

## North Korean talks face new tension

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Seoul officials were encouraged by the North's willingness to hold the talks after canceling previous Cabinet-level meetings earlier this month.

But North Korea remained defiant, saying in its official Rodong Sinmun newspaper that it would arm itself with "a physical means of deterrence" if Washington refused to sign the nonaggression treaty it seeks.

Pyongyang, which President Bush has dubbed part of an "axis of evil" with Iran and pre-war Iraq, has accused the United States of planning an invasion after the war in Iraq is over.

"If Washington does not give

us a legal guarantee that it will not take military actions, including use of nuclear weapons, against us, we have no other option but to do everything possible for our self-defense," Rodong said.

The Bush administration has ruled out such a treaty, but U.S. officials have said some form of written security guarantee could be possible.

The three-day inter-Korean talks in Pyongyang, on the heels of the Beijing discussions, come amid renewed tension over North Korea's suspected programs to develop nuclear weapons. A senior U.S. official said in Beijing that North Korea threatened to test, sell or use atomic weapons, depending on Washington's actions.

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11:30-1:30.



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## STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS UPCOMING IMPORTANT DEADLINES AND INFORMATION

### Reserve a table for Campus Fest

Deadline to guarantee a full table: 5pm on May 23, 2003

- Form is on the Office of Campus Involvement website.

### Summer O-Reg Information Sheet

Deadline: 5pm on May 9, 2003

- Submit an 8 1/2 x 11 sheet with information about your organization to the Office of Campus Involvement. This information sheet will be available to all incoming students this summer at O-Reg. This is a great recruitment opportunity for every organization!

### Annual Report and Registration Packet

Deadline: 5pm on May 9, 2003

- All organizations, except for social Greek and sport clubs must register every May to remain in good standing and keep all rights and privileges associated with being a student organization. Form is on the website and should be submitted to the Office of Campus Involvement.

### SBC Funding Contract

Deadline: 5pm on May 9, 2003

- Money will not be placed in a University account until the contract is signed and returned to the Office of Campus Involvement.

### Student Organization Office Space Agreement

Deadline: 5pm on May 7, 2003

- Organizations must sign this agreement and return it to the Office of Campus Involvement to guarantee its allocated office or workstation in the 410 suite.

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401 Bowen - Thompson Student Union

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## BIOLOGIST TO SPEAK ON SENSE OF SMELL

Mimi Koehl, a marine biologist from the University of California at Berkeley, will speak today about how larvae of animals use smells as a guide when landing on coral reefs. The presentation begins at 7 p.m. in 112 Life Sciences. Koehl has won many awards and was recently inducted to the National Academy of Science.

# get a life

The calendar of events is taken from  
<http://events.bgsu.edu>

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Capture the Flag Info Table**  
Sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ.  
*Union Lobby*

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Ticket Sales for Hindustani Classical Recital**  
Sponsored by the India Students Association.  
*Union Lobby*

1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

**Phi Eta Sigma Graduation Cards Distribution**  
*Union Lobby*

4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

**Writers Group**

An hour-long haven for writers, those who like to write, and those dragged along by their writer friends. Open to anyone in the BGSU community. For further information, contact Teresa Milbrodt at 372-9683 or [terrian@bgsu.edu](mailto:terrian@bgsu.edu). Meets every Monday from 4:00-5:00 p.m. *107 Hanna Hall*

6 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

**Praecepta Concert Series**  
Sponsored by the College of Musical Arts.  
*Union 202B, Community Room*

6 p.m.

**Israeli/Palestinian Movie Night**  
Sponsored by Amnesty

International.  
*Union Theater*

6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

**Support Group for Women with Anorexia & Bulimia Concerns**  
Group support for women at all stages of recovery. Confidentiality is emphasized. Sponsored by the Student Health Center and the Counseling Center. Please contact Judy Miller for more information, 372-7425. Meets every Monday from 6:30-8:00 p.m. *107 Hanna Hall*

9:30 p.m.

**UAO Movie- Dr. No**  
*Union Theater*

# CAMPUS

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## THE CAMPUS BLOTTER

Thursday, April 24:

Christian Hackbarth of Westlake, Ohio was cited for an open container of alcohol on Harshman Shuttle Street.

Complainant reported money missing from his room in Chapman Hall.

Ruby Mason of Bowling Green was cited for speeding on Alumni Drive.

A smoke detector on the third floor of McDonald East Hall went off. There was nothing found in the area that caused the detector to go off. The building was evacuated.

Complainant reported a dispute between he and another resident in McDonald East Hall.

A suspicious male at the Ice Arena was advised to leave the building and the University.

Complainant reported that their dorm room was receiving prank calls.

Nitin Aggarwal of Bowling Green was cited for no tail lights on Thurstin Avenue.

Complainant reported items

were taken from her room in McDonald East Hall.

Friday, April 25:

Complainant reported a slimy white lube was put on toilet seats in the Student Union.

Complainant reported graffiti written in the men's restroom of Hanna Hall was offensive.

Complainant reported male genitalia vulgarities written on the front porch at Conklin Hall.

Complainant reported a hot dog in the road, which covered their car in mustard.

Complainant reported her faculty/staff parking decal stolen from her vehicle while parked at the College Park office building. She called back later to advise she found her decal on the floor of her vehicle.

Jefferey Bell of Mansfield, Ohio was cited for disobeying a traffic control device on Conklin Drive.

The Commons was under investigation.

A bookbag was reported stolen from the Union.

A resident adviser's door was vandalized in Kohl Hall.

Complainant reported that 110 of his CD's were stolen from the Dunbar computer lab.

Complainant reported that her wallet was lost this afternoon in Founders. The complainant later called back and advised that her wallet was found in her purse.

Three students from Bromfield Hall have been referred to student discipline for possession of alcohol.

Complainant reported student looking at cartoon obscenities in the computer lab.

Complainant reported that car was missing from campus lot. Complainant called back later advising that her car was at home.

Requester asked that an officer check a room for a possible money bag that was left in South Hall. The officer found an envelope that did contain money and took it back to the UPD station.

## Parents, cadets upset that Bush will not speak

By Pam Zubeck  
THE GAZETTE

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Some Air Force Academy parents and cadets are fuming that President Bush won't speak at the May 28 commencement.

"They [cadets] are disappointed and angry," said John Riley of Florence, whose son is a senior. "Parents all over the country are up in arms."

Air Force Secretary James

Roche and Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper will share speaking duties.

A Pentagon spokesman said they chose to speak together to "provide a fitting exclamation point to their efforts in addressing" the worst sex-assault scandal in the school's 49-year history.

"This is a critical time in the academy's history, and the leaders feel it is fitting to appear together," the spokesman said.

Roche and Jumper issued more than 40 directives March 26 to change cadet life and the way sex-assault cases are handled. The directives came after allegations that reports of sexual assault were ignored or the victims punished.

Commencement speaking duties are shared among the president, vice president, defense secretary, Air Force secretary and chief of staff, but in no particular

order.

Riley said many parents and cadets believe presidents speak at graduation every four years and they're being denied an appearance by Bush.

"Parents all over the country have sold this president coming to family and friends," Riley said. "We have family in California that are coming, and one of the main attractions is that the president was speaking."

His wife, Sandra, said hundreds of parents expressed dismay in an Internet chat room, saying they'll write, e-mail and call the White House to complain.

"He [Roche] already spoke and placed blame on them instead of higher-ups," Sandra Riley said, referring to Roche's Feb. 27 speech to cadets. "They're also upset he'll use this platform to cover this issue again."

A retired Air Force official who

sponsors cadets called the speaker announcement "a huge let-down."

"I have been hearing from ... 'firsties' [seniors] all morning," he wrote. "They are not pleased with this news."

He quoted one cadet saying, "Well, this ruined my week. They took the president away from us for the first time in 45 years of tradition."

# UAO PRESENTS

# Dr. NO

(Original 007)

Register at any of the following showings and have your name entered into a drawing to win a Die Another Day soundtrack. Do not have to be present to win.

You will receive an e-mail or phone call for prize confirmation.

**Monday, April 28**

**9:30 PM**

**Wednesday, April 30**

**9:30 PM**

**Saturday, May 3**

**11:00 PM**

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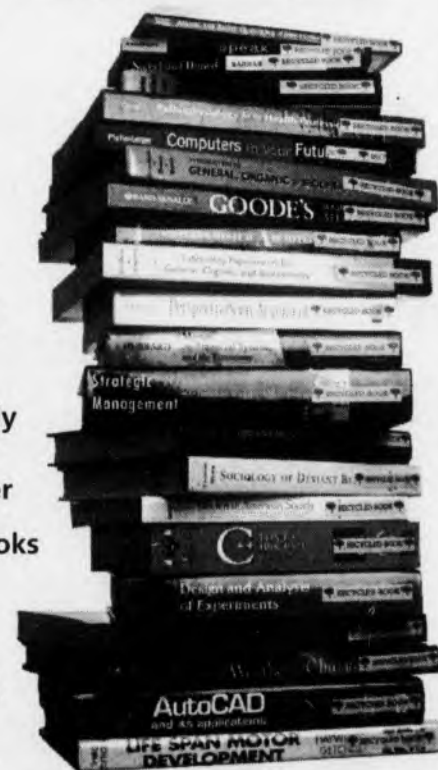
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## QUOTEUNQUOTE

"Perhaps he destroyed some, perhaps he dispersed some."

President GEORGE W. BUSH, on the still-unknown whereabouts of Saddam's weapons of mass destruction.  
(newsweek.com)

www.bgnews.com/opinion

## OPINION

## Be cautious, not scared, of SARS

Many of you may have noticed the e-mail the University sent out a couple of weeks ago. The e-mail was sent to inform students on what precautions everyone should take in relation to recent SARS outbreaks.

With graduation coming up, this may be something some students have to think about. The e-mail states, "If you know of someone planning to come to

Bowling Green from an affected area in the next four weeks, you might want to ask them to reconsider their plans." The e-mail goes on to say that commencement videotapes will be available for those who cancel their travel plans.

According to the Center for Disease Control's Web site, SARS is mostly spread by close person-to-person contact. Most cases of SARS have involved those who lived with or cared for an infect-

ed person. It also says that there is no indication of community-spread SARS in the United States.

Maybe the University is being a little overly cautious. But the Web site also stated that there are other ways for spreading the disease that are still unknown.

Probably the best thing to do is find out if your relatives or friends have any of the symptoms before they decide to travel. Symptoms include having a fever greater than 100.4 degrees,

body aches and discomfort. After a few days patients may have trouble breathing.

It is hard to say whether those coming from infected areas should cancel their travel plans for commencement. Some people from these areas travel into the United States everyday and will come to cities close by, if not Bowling Green itself. But the University is just suggesting that people not travel. It is up to you and those that are traveling to

make the right decision.

The University does have the right to postpone sponsored study-abroad and group trips to infected areas. The University has a responsibility to protect its students and faculty members from being exposed to the disease if they don't have to.

The University has assured students that any academic credit lost from the postponement of these trips can be made up some other way.

A committee has been established by the University to keep students and faculty updated on the developments involving SARS.

The University is doing its part on keeping us updated and the community safe. We appreciate that. But, if the SARS scare keeps your relatives home when you graduate, be sure it's a necessary precaution. After all, graduation is a big part of college. It shouldn't be missed out of fear alone.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Government is not persecuting war protesters

This is written in response to Bob Moser's Friday guest column which he wrote in response to Rema Ina's Thursday column. He claims that because individuals and some businesses "persecute" many who express anti-war sentiments, that we do not have free speech in the United States. He apparently fails to understand that freedom of speech is a right for our protection against government persecutions.

Miss Ina was right on target with her column when she stated that "Speaking in a public forum comes with risks," but please note that, because of our right to free speech, government persecution is not one of the risks.

RON HARRIS  
DEPT. MATH/STAT

## George Bush is repeating his dad's mistakes

Once upon a time, there was a president named George Bush. He invaded Iraq, and his popularity ratings soared. But when the war was over, his "energy plan" was a multibillion-dollar contribution to his cronies, who owned oil-, coal- and gas-producing companies. As the economy faltered, his only response was tax giveaways to America's wealthiest citizens. And despite the advantages of incumbency, he was beaten for re-election.

Isn't it funny how history repeats itself? Today, another President Bush is trying to ram a tax giveaway for the rich through Congress and he doesn't care if he runs over his own party's lawmakers in the process. According to the OMB, 65 percent of the benefits from his proposed tax cuts will go to the richest 10 percent of Americans. If you are a single working person who doesn't own stock and doesn't have kids, your benefit is likely to be a big fat zero. For the majority of Americans, the benefit will be

less than \$100. For the wealthiest Americans, the benefit would be over \$20,000.

According to economists with the Congressional Budget Office, this plan will not stimulate our economy, but it will send deficits soaring through the roof, driving up interest rates.

I am appalled to see Bush exploiting the patriotism of loyal Americans over the invasion of Iraq, while stabbing them in the back economically. Okay, now that we've deposed of Saddam, how are we going to pay for tuition rates that will soon make college an option only for the rich?

EARL M. BRITT  
ALUMNUS

## Landlords take advantage of elderly tenants

Three Bowling Green University students and myself are doing a community action project for American Culture Studies 250. Due to a personal experience in my family, we decided to acknowledge the issue of pet security deposits in leased housing for the elderly. These specialized apartments are for the senior citizens on fixed income who cannot afford the high rates of a house or most other apartments, but are still well enough to live on their own.

After researching apartments on the Internet, we found that some pet security deposits were as much as \$200, even for a fish, because the tank might leak and cause water damage. For our action, we went to several leased housing apartment buildings and surveyed the residents to get their response to the pet security deposit. It turned out that when we asked whether or not they thought the amount was too high or too low, they had no opinion. Most of the residents had no idea how much they should be charged for a pet. Then we went to talk to the management to try to persuade them to lower their pet price, or at least make an installment plan. We explained how the elderly can benefit from the companionship of a pet, and how pets can even

lower blood pressure, therefore contributing to longer life. The managers responded by complaining about the negative aspects that may come along with owning a pet, like carpet damage and smell. Some, however, would not even speak with us.

Obviously, the landlords know they are taking advantage of elderly pet owners and are making enough profit off of them that they do not want to change their policy. The four of us could not make an impact, but if more people stand up to these money-hungry landlords, maybe they would actually consider the issue.

DANIELLE HAGER AND ACS 250  
STUDENTS

## Take action against abortion

I find a great deal of hypocrisy in the opinions of those who state that, although they do not condone abortion, they believe in the freedom to carry out such a travesty. Such an opinion brings to mind the 1964 murder of Kitty Genovese.

Thirty-eight people watched the brutal stabbing of Kitty on an open avenue in Queens. One of these fine, upstanding citizens bothered to notify the police, but only after Kitty had died. Certainly none of these thirty-eight people condoned murder, but their inaction showed their complete disregard for her life.

Kitty Genovese died because no one on the street that day cared enough to stand up for her. Over 3500 unborn children are murdered every day in the United States because people don't care enough to take an active stance against their deaths.

Take action. Do not allow this senseless violence to continue. Everyone has the right to live, and as good upstanding citizens, we have the responsibility to protect those who can not protect themselves.

MEGHAN DURBAK  
STUDENT

## PEOPLE ON THE STREET

Have you been able to stay motivated with summer fast approaching?



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"No. After the long harsh winter, I'd like to just be outside and laying in the sun, and deadlines are fast approaching."



COLBY ZACHRICH  
SOPHOMORE, ART ED.  
"You can't shut off my motivation."

## Freedom of speech is a two-way street

RAUL CANO

Guest Columnist

In her book "Slander," Ann Coulter writes about how the liberal media has worked to shut down all points of view that are conservative in nature. She describes the nightmare conservatives in America face while having to listen to Dan Rather "falsely accusing Republicans of all manner of malfeasance," or when forced to watch movies depicting "kind-hearted abortionists, Nazi priests, rich preppie Republican bigots and the dark night of fascism under Joe McCarthy."

In a recent column, Bob Moser wrote, "The true meaning behind freedom of speech has been damaged during this war with Iraq." Both Coulter and Moser demonstrate an ignorance of the idea behind freedom of speech, and fail to see how similar their positions actually are.

The First Amendment to the Constitution reads, "Congress shall make no law ... abridging the freedom of speech ... or the right peaceably to assemble." Ninety years of First Amendment jurisprudence have shown that we do not have an absolute right to freedom of speech. See *Schenck v. United States* (also *Debs v. United States* and *Chaplinsky v. New Hampshire*). While the protection of political speech has since been broadened, the concept of *stare decisis* means that in times of war, Congress may curb freedom of speech (*Brandenburg v. Ohio* was decided in peacetime). However, this argument is currently moot, because no such government action has been taken.

Mr. Moser brings up the Dixie Chicks to show how we are losing our right to speak freely. The problem with this example, as Ms. Ina pointed out, is that consumers of country music have as much right to boycott Dixie Chick albums as the band has to say that they are ashamed that President Bush is from Texas (a sentiment that I happen to share, by the way). Does this suck? Yes, but freedom of speech is a two-way street. Mr. Moser cites the role of Clear Channel in this whole fiasco. While it is disturbing that Clear Channel is

using the position of the Dixie Chicks to gain favor with Republican members of Congress who will soon start discussing bills that may help the corporate giant expand its share of the entertainment industry, liberal interest groups do the same (the support of that race-baiting, anti-Semitic demagogue, Al Sharpton, comes to mind).

Mr. Moser also points to the tragedy of Peter Arnett, who did nothing more than report on "families in Iraq whose parents had been killed in faulty bombings by the American military," and was thus "more than just chastised or persecuted," but fired. What Mr. Moser forgot to mention was that the reason Arnett got in trouble is because he appeared on Iraqi state television, which he knew was a propaganda tool for Hussein's regime. The fact that our government did not formally charge Arnett with treason (his action put our troops in clear and present danger of a substantive evil because it was used as a way of raising the morale of Iraqi fighters) is actually a sign that freedom of speech is alive and well in America. While he was free to appear on enemy television and denounce our government, NBC was free to terminate his contract because they felt he was a liability that could cost them viewers.

While I am no fan of the oil cartel currently in power, I believe that freedom of speech is the last thing we need to worry about. Wake up, Mr. Moser; you are rearranging chairs on the Titanic while the White House is trying to shove an additional handout to the rich down our throats.

On a final note, Mr. Moser, I completely agree with you that labeling dissenting points of view as unpatriotic is a reprehensible practice that unfairly frames the debate. Having said that, I would suggest that you take a look in the mirror and realize that you used the same tactic when you stated, "Miss Ina is just one of many on this campus and in this country who allow themselves to live in a vacuum of blind patriotism." Perhaps, if you loosened up on the righteousness and toned down your condescending tone towards those you pretend to enlighten, people would be more willing to listen.

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## TWO KILLED IN SINGLE-ENGINE PLANE CRASH

JACKSON, Ohio (AP) — A single-engine plane crashed near Jackson County Airport on Saturday, killing the two people on board, officials said. The privately-owned, six-seat Beachcraft A-36 crashed about 4:15 p.m. into a wooded area on private property one mile north of the airport, the State Highway Patrol said.

## STATE

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## Debate on sprinkler laws reopens

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS — Fire officials in other college towns that require sprinkler systems in off-campus housing say Columbus should consider a similar law after a fire that killed five students.

The brick house near the Ohio State campus had several working smoke detectors and met city fire codes before the April 13 arson.

"You have a limited window of opportunity," said Larry Donner, fire chief in Boulder, Colo. "This is

the time to get the sprinkler systems passed. In four years, no one will remember."

Boulder passed a sprinkler law after a 1989 fire in a fraternity house; no one died in that fire. Officials in College Park, Md., are working to expand sprinkler requirements to include student housing near the University of Maryland.

A fraternity house where five students died in a 1996 fire near the University of North Carolina also met fire codes there. A code

requiring sprinkler systems in fraternity and sorority housing would have saved lives, officials in Chapel Hill said.

Rooming and Greek houses in Columbus must have sprinklers only if they undergo a thorough renovation, said Andy Baumann, code-enforcement supervisor for the campus area. He estimated that sprinklers are in about half of the 41 Greek houses, all of which are off-campus.

The issue hasn't been raised in City Council. Fire officials say

they're focused on finding who set the fire.

"This is an arson investigation, and we are concerned with finding out who did this terrible thing," said Dan Trevas, a council spokesman. "That's No. 1 on our minds."

The day after the Ohio State fire, experts in State College, Pa., recommended a sprinkler law to avoid a similar disaster at Penn State. The borough council is considering an ordinance that would apply to fraternity and

sorority houses.

The National Fire Protection Association said its research hasn't found a single fire that killed more than two people in a building equipped with sprinklers.

Students are drawn to low-rent older housing and tend to light candles, block exits and cram people inside for parties.

"A design for disaster," Boulder's Donner said.

Dan Jones, fire chief in Chapel Hill, first asked City Council to enact sprinkler requirements in

1993, calling fraternity houses "the greatest life threat in the community."

But fraternity members, builders and real estate agents complained at the expense — up to \$40,000 per house — and the council rejected the request.

Council members passed a sprinkler law six months after the fatal fire at the Phi Gamma Delta house. Authorities believe the cause was a lit cigarette thrown in the trash.

## Parents of a killed Marine receive son's last letter

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OHIO CITY, Ohio — The letter and photographs from Marine Pfc. Christian Gurtner told his parents that he was doing well as he and his fellow Marines waited to invade Iraq.

He said he missed them, loved them and told them that he wanted to write them about how he wanted to be buried, but was afraid to bring himself bad luck.

It was hand-delivered to them a week after his funeral.

Gurtner, 19, who joined the Marines about a year ago, died April 2 when his gun accidentally went off in southern Iraq. He was an infantry scout assigned to the 3rd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion.

Gurtner was buried in this

town about 75 miles southwest of Toledo April 16.

The Marines had told Gurtner's parents, Gary and Eldonna Wagonrod, that they might still receive mail.

"We had asked the people at the post office to hold it back, if we did get a letter," Eldonna Wagonrod said. "I didn't want the shock of opening the box and pulling it out."

Village postmaster Diane Bear hand-delivered the letter, dated March 18, last week.

"Gary answered the door and handed the letter to me," Eldonna Wagonrod said. "I just laid it down; I couldn't open it. It took me at least an hour to get up the courage."

When she finally opened the

letter, Wagonrod took a look at the two pictures inside. One was of Gurtner and other members of his unit and the other was of Gurtner leaning against a vehicle, smiling.

"When I saw that picture I yelled, 'You guys have got to see this smile,'" Wagonrod said. "I felt like it was a gift from God, that God had sent us that picture of Christian smiling. It gave me so much peace."

Gurtner was in Kuwait when he wrote the letter. He started by saying that his unit was 15 miles away from Iraq and would be leaving in 48 hours.

"If someone says anything bad, just tell them your one and only son is fighting so they can pay less for gas and sleep better at night,

so there is less terrorism in the world," he wrote.

Gurtner also said in the letter that "I want to write to you about how I want my funeral and stuff, but I don't want to give myself bad luck, if you know what I mean."

Gary Wagonrod said that he realized that Gurtner and his fellow Marines were encouraged to prepare for the worst, and that the family was just glad to hear from him.

"It was just great hearing from him, very heart warming," he said. "It was a day after they bombed that first palace. They knew then that they were going in. We're very proud of him. He was so upbeat in spite of his circumstances."

BG NEWS  
BRIEFING

## Criminal charges filed in food fight

HILLIARD, Ohio (AP) — A 30-second food fight at a high school led to five students being suspended and charged with disorderly conduct.

Hilliard Darby students Joe Staten, 18, and Mark Fitzpatrick, 17, started the fight, with three others joining in. One student, Kyle Wilgus, 17, said the fight had been planned for two weeks and he just found out about it the morning it happened.

The fight took place about 11 a.m. on April 16 before being stopped by Principal Jeff Reinhart and Mike Deaton, a police officer in this Columbus suburb. In his report, Deaton said the cafeteria had to be closed before the next group of students could use it.

Wilgus and Fitzpatrick were charged with delinquency counts of disorderly conduct. Ronny Phillips, 16, and Jason Routson, 17, also were charged with delinquency counts.

Kevin Wilgus, Kyle's father, said police overreacted.

"This is grossly beyond what is reasonable," he said. "Several days suspension, yes, I can understand that. But criminal charges that will be part of a record? No."

Police Lt. Robert Parkey said the students were out of control and created a dangerous situation.

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## TWO SPECTATORS DIE AT CALIFORNIA TRACK

PERRIS, Calif. (AP) — Two sprint cars crashed during an auto race, sending one hurtling into the stands and the other into the track's infield, where two bystanders were struck and killed, authorities said. The driver of the car that flipped into the stands suffered minor injuries, said Jeff Delahunty, a spokesman for the Riverside County Fire Department.

## NATION

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## Officer shoots wife, himself

By Tim Klass  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GIG HARBOR, Wash. — Tacoma Police Chief David Brame was killed and his wife was injured in an apparent murder-suicide attempt Saturday, a day after abuse allegations in the couple's divorce case were publicized in media reports.

"The probability is strong that the chief shot his wife and then himself," Pierce County Sheriff's spokesman Ed Troyer said.

Brame was pronounced dead at 5:52 p.m. at St. Joseph Medical Center in Tacoma, Troyer said. His wife, Crystal, was flown to Harborview Medical Center in Seattle in critical condition with a gunshot wound to the head.

The shooting took place around 3:10 p.m. in the parking lot of a shopping center in this town northwest of Tacoma, Troyer said.

The chief and his wife arrived in the parking lot in separate cars, with the couple's children in Crystal Brame's vehicle. At one point, the chief put the children in his car, then went back to his wife's car, where the pair engaged in a heated conversation, authorities believe.

Witnesses told police they heard two quick shots, Troyer said.

Paramedics found Crystal Brame lying on the pavement beside her car, with the driver's side door ajar. The chief was found slumped over in the passenger's seat with a gunshot wound to the head, Troyer said.

One witness said she saw people in the parking lot running around and screaming after the shootings.

"They had no idea. They were just running for safety," said Kirsten Oakland, 36, and a hair



John Wycuff AP Photo

**POLICE CHIEF:** Emergency personnel work on Tacoma Police Chief David Brame after an apparent murder-suicide attempt Saturday, in Gig Harbor, Wash. Brame's wife was injured in the incident.

stylist at Harbor Cutter, a shop that looks out onto the parking lot.

The Brame's children ran toward their mother's car after hearing the shots, Troyer said.

"I heard one of the children say, 'Daddy shot Mommy' ... words to that effect," said Dana Mossman. The 43-year-old woman said she was standing in front of a coffee shop when she heard a "pop, pop" sound and then saw a woman lying in a pool of blood.

Another woman in the parking lot scooped up the children — an 8-year-old girl and 5-year-old boy — and took them into a video store in the strip mall. They were in the care of their mother's parents Saturday night, Troyer said.

Officers recovered a Glock .45-caliber semiautomatic handgun

from the crime scene. Troyer would not say whether it was the chief's service weapon or precisely where the gun was found.

Brame rose through the ranks to become police chief in Tacoma, a city of 194,000, in January 2002. He was among officials who announced that a witness came forward with evidence that could tie two shootings in Tacoma to sniper suspects John Allen Muhammad and Lee Boyd Malvo. The men are accused of 20 shootings, including 13 deaths, in Virginia, Maryland, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Washington, D.C.

"It's a bad day for law enforcement," Troyer said. "This is somebody everybody knew and respected."

"He was exactly what you

want," Troyer added, "rose up through the ranks, worked very hard and made chief."

On Friday, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer reported that documents in the couple's divorce case recounted a stormy, sometimes violent relationship.

Crystal Brame accused her husband of pointing his gun at her, trying to choke her and saying he "could snap my neck if he wanted to."

But Brame said he had been victimized in the relationship. He accused his wife of having a "ferocious temper" and being emotionally unstable.

In court papers, Brame said his wife scratched, bruised and pushed him during two fights in September 1996.

*"If you feel you've been deprived of something by a process, it is felt very strongly and that is an area where universities are struggling"*

DAVID WARD, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN COUNCIL ON EDUCATION

## Affirmative action draws mixed feelings

By Steve Giegerich  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A new poll highlights Americans' conflicted feelings about affirmative action at colleges: A majority of those surveyed said it benefits society, but even more said schools should not admit minorities who have lower grades than other qualified candidates.

The finding is part of a comprehensive survey of American attitudes toward colleges and universities being released Monday by The Chronicle of Higher Education.

Among other findings, the survey revealed that more than 80 percent of Americans believe skyrocketing tuition has made higher education less affordable to the middle class. At the same time, 75 percent believe a college education is "worth the price."

The telephone survey of 1,000 adults ages 25 to 65 has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.1 percentage points.

With the Supreme Court

deciding a critical case that challenges the University of Michigan's use of race as a factor in admissions, 58 percent of respondents to the Chronicle poll said affirmative action programs benefit society.

But 64 percent of those surveyed said they thought minority students should not be admitted to a school if their grades and test scores didn't meet the level of other applicants.

David Ward, president of the American Council on Education, expects those conflicting attitudes to continue even after the Supreme Court ruling.

He said Americans have a deeply ingrained sense of fair play and individual rights — and for many, affirmative action doesn't seem fair. "If you feel you've been deprived of something by a process, it is felt very strongly," he said. "And that is an area where universities are struggling."

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## BG NEWS SPORTS

### BRIEFING

#### Bats outscore Mud Hens in 10-5 victory

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Jacob Cruz hit two home runs to lead the Louisville Bats to a 10-5 win over Toledo in the International League yesterday.

Jason Maxwell and Jim Chamblee also homered for the Bats, who had 18 hits. Brandon Larson had two RBIs for Louisville.

Scott Randall (3-0) earned the win, going 6 1-3 innings, giving up five runs on 10 hits.

Seth Greisinger (3-1) took the loss, going 4 1-3 innings, allowing seven runs on 11 hits. He gave up three of Louisville's four home runs.

Louisville has won four of its last five games.

#### Athletics triumph over Indians, 4-3

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Terrence Long hit a game-winning double with two outs in the ninth inning yesterday to give the Oakland Athletics a 4-3 victory over Cleveland.

Erubiel Durazo had three hits and drove in a pair of runs for the As.

Jody Gerut had three hits for the Indians (7-18), off to their worst start since going 4-21 in 1969.

Durazo led off the ninth with a single to off Danny Baez (0-3). Two outs later, Long hit a 2-2 pitch into the right-center field gap, scoring Durazo.

Ricardo Rincon (1-2) pitched two scoreless innings for the victory, striking out four.

Oakland starter Tim Hudson gave up three runs, seven hits and four walks in seven innings.

Cleveland starter C.C. Sabathia allowed three runs and six hits in seven innings. He struck out five and walked two.

#### Tigers off to worst start in team history

SEATTLE (AP) — Freddy Garcia won for the first time since April 6, pitching the Seattle Mariners past the Detroit Tigers 4-3 yesterday.

The loss dropped the Tigers to 3-20, extending the worst start in team history.

Garcia (2-3) had been winless in three starts. But the Mariners' ace limited Detroit to four hits, including home runs by Bobby Higginson and Dmitri Young, in seven innings. He struck out six.

Arthur Rhodes pitched the eighth and got one batter out in the ninth before Jeff Nelson came in to get the final two outs and his second save.

Young homered in the second and Higginson homered in the third.

In the third, Seattle scored three runs on four hits.

Bret Boone's single put the Mariners ahead 4-2 against Adam Bernero (0-4).



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## Hunt sets new RBI record

By Jayme Ramson  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Bowling Green baseball team dropped three games in their four-game series with Marshall this weekend.

The lone win came in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader, 10-5. In that game the Falcons got on the board early, scoring six runs in the first three innings. Marshall came back later in the game, trimming the lead to one run by the end of the sixth inning. The Falcons responded in the bottom of the sixth with four runs.

Keith Laughlin earned his fourth Mid-American Conference win of the season and his fifth win overall. The lefty improved to 5-1 overall and 4-0 in the MAC.

David Barkholz started the Falcons off in the first inning, getting a RBI single. He was 2-for-3 in the game, with two RBIs and three runs scored. Tyler Wasserman was 2-for-4 with three RBIs.

Bowling Green lost 3-2 in Saturday's second game.

Marshall scored in the top of the first and Bowling Green responded with a run of their own when Kelly Hunt's single to left scored Barkholz. The game remained tied at one until the eighth inning.

Marshall scored two runs in the top of the eighth to lead 3-1. Bowling Green looked like they might make a comeback when Hunt hit a RBI double to score Nolan Reimold. Kevin Longstreth reached base on a walk and runners were on first and second for Wasserman. Wasserman was

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**SLIDING RUN:** A Falcon baseball player slides into home plate. The Falcons lost three games in their four-game series with Marshall this weekend with the lone win coming in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader, 10-5.

## Falcons unable to come back; Herd tops BG, 2-1

By Chris Willig  
SPORTS REPORTER

Emotions and tension were running high yesterday, when the Falcons hosted Marshall at Steller Field. The game marked the end of a four game homestand against Marshall, a series in which the Falcons were down 2-1.

Tom Oestrike got the start for the Falcons. Oestrike struck out four in his first two innings and held the Thundering Herd scoreless through three innings.

However, in the fourth inning Marshall's bats got the best of the Falcons.

With one out in the fourth inning Oestrike gave up back-to-back first pitch home runs giving the Herd an early 2-0 lead.

Intensity seemed to increase as Marshall center fielder, Joe Glevenyak rounded the bases after taking Oestrike's first pitch, fastball deep over the left field wall. Choice words and stare-downs exchanged between both teams seemed to put the Falcons

over their boiling point. After the second consecutive homerun, the Falcons were fired up with no where to go.

Oestrike's first pitch, following the homeruns, hit Marshall's batter square in the back. The Falcons were issued a warning for the beanball and this seemed to wake up the Herd, who went on to score eight runs in the following three innings.

In the bottom of the third inning, Falcon first baseman, Kelly Hunt found himself in the

retaliatory end of Marshall's pitcher Steve Ziroli's fastball. Both benches were warned, following the altercation and both the Falcons and the Herd seemed to be inches away from a brawl.

"We got outplayed the whole game, they hit back to back homeruns then we hit their guy and seemed to wake them up," Falcons head coach Danny Schmitz said. "Words were

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## Former Falcon keeps pro dream alive

By Andrew Clayman  
SPORTS REPORTER

Almost every Little Leaguer and sandlot star has fantasized about playing professional baseball, but for the overwhelming majority, it is a dream that is never realized.

Corey Loomis is one of the lucky ones. After a phenomenal junior season with the Falcons in 2002 (which included a team best .404 batting average), the

Pemberville native made the difficult decision to leave the college ranks and chase his dreams in the pros. Chosen by the Detroit Tigers in the 21st round of last summer's amateur draft, Loomis began a rollercoaster ride that has brought him full circle in less than a year's time.

The Tiger organization had come calling on Loomis before, having selected him in the 38th round of the 1999 draft. In that

instance, the Eastwood High graduate opted instead to hone his skills under coach Danny Schmitz at Bowling Green. This time around, Loomis took Detroit up on its offer, reporting to the team's Class A short season affiliate in Oneonta, New York. While there, Loomis would learn that maintaining one's dream can be just as challenging as reaching it.

In some ways, life in the New

York Penn League was not too dissimilar from the college baseball life. There were long bus trips, less than ideal field conditions, and small but devoted crowds in attendance. The quality of talent on the field, however, was clearly on another level.

"The pitching and the speed of the game were very different from college," Loomis said. "All the pitchers had great command. College pitchers usually

have maybe two good pitches, but a minor league pitcher may have a good fastball, change-up, and a nice slider or split-fingered pitch, too. And every pitch, they know exactly where it's going."

Despite the improved competition, Loomis' biggest adjustment came not at the plate, but in the acceptance of a new role

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## SOFTBALL



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**HEADING HOME:** The Bowling Green softball team dropped two games against Northern Illinois Saturday, 1-0 and 13-2. For more information check out tomorrow's edition of The BG News.

## Agassi makes first defense of No. 1 success

By Michael A. Lutz  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Andre Agassi celebrated his first day as the oldest men's player to be ranked No. 1 in the world with a dramatic comeback victory over Andy Roddick to win the U.S. Men's Clay Court Championships yesterday.

Agassi supplanted Australian Lleyton Hewitt on Saturday night as No. 1, but he had to work hard Sunday to beat Roddick 3-6, 6-3, 6-4. It was the 58th career title for Agassi.

Down one set and a break in the third game of the second set, Agassi rallied from triple break point to hold his serve. He broke Roddick, the two-time defending champion, in the sixth and eighth games to force the third set.

"I'm still numb, to be honest," Agassi said. "Andy kept me from getting comfortable for most of the match. Early in the second set, I

made some big points and closed out the match. Sometimes it's better to be lucky."

Both players stayed on serve in the third set until the fifth game, when Agassi broke through with a backhand drop-shot winner that bounced just over the net.

Agassi also hit a drop-shot winner when he was down love-40 in the crucial third game of the second set.

"I felt pretty desperate the whole time," Agassi said. "I can understand why it's so hard to beat him here the way he serves, and his second serve is such a big weapon."

The big break in the third set was all Agassi needed to boost his match record to 23-1 this season and capture his fourth title of the year, a record that includes the Australian Open.

Agassi declared himself ready for Europe and the clay tournaments, leading up to the start of the French

Open on May 26.

"You certainly want to know that you have the gears there when you ask for it, and that means physically and mentally," Agassi said. "Today was one of those days you try to hold on and hang in there and give you the best chance and hope something goes right. That's all a part of what's needed to win big ones."

Roddick was the stronger player in the first set as Agassi started slowly, hitting numerous unforced errors. He broke Agassi in the eighth game of the first set with a love game. Agassi hit a backhand error at break point.

Agassi survived one break point in the first game of the second set before launching his big comeback in the second game.

Agassi improved to 4-0 against Roddick. Prior yesterday, his last victory over Roddick was 6-3, 6-1 last year in San Jose, Calif.



# Reds earn first win of season

CINCINNATI (AP) — Paul Wilson thought aggressiveness was the key to his first win for Cincinnati.

Wilson overcame three home runs, two by Ryan Klesko, to lead the Reds over the San Diego Padres 7-5 yesterday.

Wilson (1-2) also gave up a solo homer to Ramon Vazquez, but he still beat San Diego for the first time in six career decisions. He gave up three homers in one game for the second time this season, but the Reds have won three of his five starts.

"It's funny. I lost the last one, and I won today. The key was I was still aggressive," Wilson said. "I got ahead of hitters and challenged them, and that was the difference."

Wilson didn't allow any walks while giving up three runs and eight hits in seven innings, and Scott Williamson pitched the ninth for his fifth save.

"In my last start, I had great stuff," said Wilson, referring to Tuesday's 2-1 loss to Los Angeles in which he went 7 2-3 innings. "I was down in the zone and had command the whole game. Today, I had a decent fastball, but my change wasn't as good."

Wilson hadn't won a game since last Aug. 19, when he beat the Orioles 7-3 at Camden Yards for Tampa Bay.

"The big thing was he made the pitches when he needed to," catcher Kelly Stinnett said. "Klesko's first home run was on a good pitch. The second was a down-and-in changeup, and

you can't throw it to him there, but he had good movement today. The movement was the key."

Stinnett doubled twice and scored two runs playing in place of the injured Jason LaRue.

Cincinnati moved out of last place in the NL Central for the first time since April 14. The Reds took two of three to win a homestand for the first time in the brief history of Great American Ball Park, which opened this season.

"It was a terrific homestand," manager Bob Boone said.

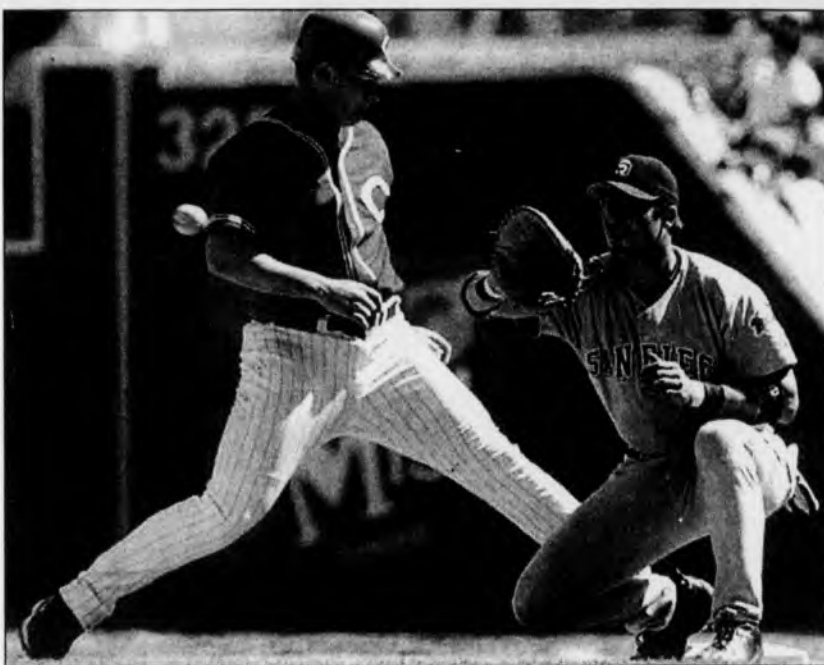
Brooks Lawrence (2-3) gave up seven runs — five earned — and six hits in 4 1-3 innings. He didn't walk a batter in his previous two starts — losing both — but struggled with his control against Cincinnati, walking six and hitting a batter.

"Walks kill you," Lawrence said. "You have to make them hit the ball."

Klesko homered to put San Diego ahead in the first, but the Reds took a 2-1 lead in the second on two-out RBI doubles by Felipe Lopez and Kelly Stinnett.

Lawrence forced in a run with a bases-loaded walk to Sean Casey in the fourth, but San Diego tied it in the fifth on solo homers by Vazquez and Klesko, his third in two days and sixth this season. Klesko is 6-for-12 with four homers in his career against Wilson.

The Reds used two errors to break open the game in a four-run fifth. Aaron Boone reached on Vazquez's throwing error



**SAFE:** Cincinnati Reds' Austin Kearns, left, returns to first base as San Diego Padres' Ryan Klesko catches a pickoff throw in the eighth inning yesterday. Cincinnati won 7-5.

starting the inning. Adam Dunn walked and Lopez bunted, with Lawrence throwing away the ball for an error that allowed Boone to score from second.

"The ball slipped," Lawrence said. "It sailed on me. I didn't have a good grip."

"I thought that was the turning point," San Diego manager Bruce Bochy said.

Stinnett was intentionally walked, and Wilson's sacrifice fly made it 5-3.

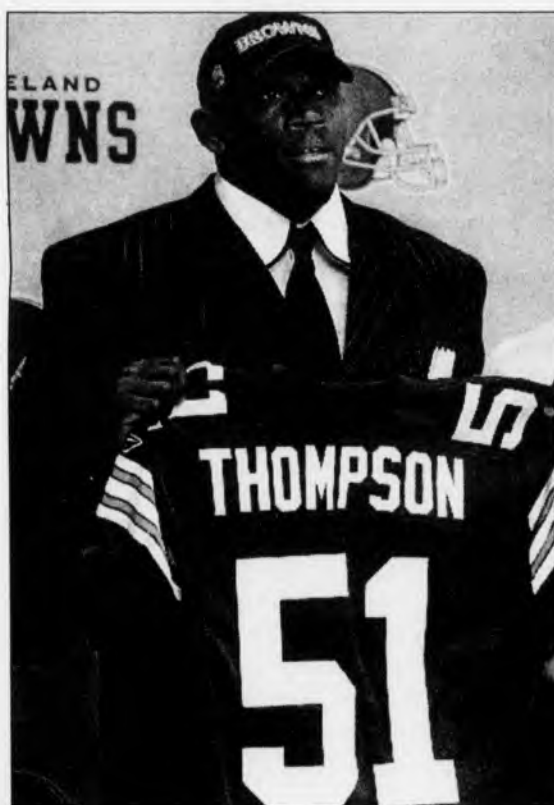
Reliever Brandon Villafuerte hit Ryan Freel, reloading the bases. Jose Guillen hit an RBI single and Casey had a run-scoring grounder.

Rondell White hit his seventh homer of the season and second in two games in the eighth

inning.

## Notes

The Padres went 4-8 on their trip, their longest this season. ... Klesko was 14-for-44 (.318) with five homers and 13 RBIs on the trip ... Casey went 0-for-3 and is in a 1-for-18 slide. ... San Diego allowed 20 walks in the last two games of the series.



**CHANGING OF THE GUARDS:** Chaun Thompson, a second-round draft pick for the Cleveland Browns, holds up his jersey yesterday.

## Browns add running back, long snapper

BEREA, Ohio (AP) — The Browns have drafted yet another running back, but don't expect to see him in uniform until 2004.

Cleveland took speedy Lee Suggs of Virginia Tech in the fourth round of yesterday's NFL draft knowing that he must undergo shoulder surgery and will likely miss the entire season.

"It's not too different than maybe what the Buffalo Bills did with Willis McGahee," Browns coach Butch Davis said of taking a risk on an injured player. "Certainly, two years ago, Lee Suggs was one of the premier running backs in the entire country."

Davis used the rest of his late-round picks to improve on defense and special teams.

The Browns shocked many with their choice of a long snapper in a fifth round, including the player they picked, Ryan Pontbriand.

"I never really believed that I'd get drafted. Oh, my God," said the special teams player from

Rice.

The Browns closed out the draft by selecting Minnesota cornerback Michael Lehan and Boston College defensive end Antonio Garay.

Although Davis entered the draft saying he had the luxury to select the best talent available, he used nearly every pick to fill team needs, except for Suggs and Garay.

The Browns also added some speed.

"Anytime you have the chance to dramatically improve the speed of your football team you can't do anything but get better," Davis said.

The Browns used their top pick, 21st overall, on Jeff Faine, a 6-foot-2, 303-pound center from Notre Dame, who will fill the hole left by the release of Dave Wohlabaugh.

Second-round pick Chaun Thompson of West Texas A&M gives depth at linebacker following the salary cap dump of Earl Holmes, Dwayne Rudd and Jamir Miller.

The Browns got two quick cornerbacks in third-rounder Chris Crocker of Marshall and Lehan, who has 4.4 speed in the 40-yard dash.

By taking Suggs, Davis has selected a running back in each of the last three drafts, taking William Green with the 16th pick last year and James Jackson in the third round of 2001.

Suggs partially tore his rotator cuff while lifting weights in January. He has a history of knee injuries as well.

The 5-foot-11, 202-pound Suggs returned last season from a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee, averaged 5.2 yards per carry with the Hokies and had two 1,000-yard seasons.

"I can hit the hole and accelerate through it," Suggs said. "I can break tackles and I have the speed to take it all the way."

Suggs hoped to be the second or third running back taken in the draft, but injuries caused him to drop.

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## Loomis released from Tigers

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and a lack of consistent playing time.

"All in all, it was a great experience," he said. "But when you are used to being out there everyday as I was in college, not playing everyday really hurt the most."

With Oneonta's young roster all hoping to gain the attention of Tiger management during a short summer season, it's easy for talented players to get lost in the shuffle. After being the Falcons' dependable second baseman for the past few years, Loomis was now in and out of the line-up, as other prospects battled him for playing time.

By season's end, Loomis had appeared in just 32 games, driving in 17 runs and finishing with a .218 batting average. Not given a true opportunity to open any eyes, Loomis was released by the Tigers this spring, putting his professional career on hold.

Today, Corey Loomis is back where it all started, in Bowling Green. Though he is no longer under a pro contract and ineligible to rejoin his old Falcon teammates on the field, Loomis has a positive outlook on where he's been, where he is, and where he's going.

"I don't really regret (going pro)," he said. "Being back home and talking to the guys that are still playing, it kind of makes you think a bit, 'Did I do the right thing?' But at the time, it was the right decision, and I don't regret it."

There is no reason to be regretful when your story is still writing itself. Loomis is far from giving up on baseball or his dreams to achieve success in the pros.

"Right now, I am working out with the team and with (former BG shortstop) Nick Elrod. Nick's playing for the Chillicothe Paints in an independent league (Frontier League), and I will be playing down there this summer. So we'll have our old double play combination back together. I'm looking forward to that."

Loomis hopes that a successful showing this summer may spark the attention of scouts once more. He knows that persistence is the name of the game in baseball, where failing seven out of ten times still makes you a great hitter.

"After I was released by the Tigers, people told me to just keep playing. You're never down and out as long as you keep playing. So I'm just going to keep playing and see what happens."

Such a philosophy is fitting for one of the best to ever don the orange and brown.

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# Hunt's hit causes benches to clear

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exchanged between teams, then they went on to score 10 straight.

The already intense atmosphere furthered in the later part of the game as well. Kelly Hunt's hit, what seemed to be an innocent ground ball down the first base line, once again nearly turned into an altercation.

Hunt's ground ball was fielded by Ziroli along the first base line and Ziroli found himself directly in the middle of the baseline in between Hunt and firstbase. Hunt collided with the Marshall pitcher, in an attempt to reach first base, and set both teams off.

The already fired up benches wasted no time in leaving the dugout, both exchanging words across the field. The umpires, however, did their best to stop the verbal onslaught before any physical altercations took place, issuing both teams another warning and sent them back inside the dugout.

Through all this, the Falcons could not seem to get on track, giving up twelve runs and they were unable to string a series of hits together until the ninth inning. The 12-5 loss for the Falcons comes right before a road trip to Columbus where they are scheduled to take on Ohio State Wednesday.

# Marshall outplays Falcons

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retired on a ground out.

Hunt's RBI double was the 179th RBI of his career, giving him the BGSU career record. Len Elias previously held the record at 178 career RBIs.

The Falcons had four hits in the game, two off the bat of Hunt and two from Reimold.

Bowling Green's Tyler Saneholtz pitched six innings, giving up one run off six hits and striking out eight.

Bowling Green coach Danny Schmitz talked about the plate discipline of his young team after yesterday's loss.

"It's been a problem all year, the discipline. We take the good ones and swing at the bad ones," he said. "We're far along enough now in the season that we have to start making some improvements and we're still not making improvements."

The Falcons lost the series finale, 12-5, yesterday afternoon at Steller Field.

"We got outplayed the whole game," Schmitz said. "We didn't have the pitching. We started out pretty good. We didn't show that we were a very tough team and that's unacceptable. We need to show some toughness, physically and mentally."

Marshall had five home runs in the game, pounding out 17 total hits in the game.

Pitcher Tom Oestrike held the Thundering Herd scoreless through three innings, but Marshall started to heat up with back-to-back home runs in the fourth inning. Both were solo shots.

Hunt scored from second base on a throwing error in the bottom half of the inning. Hunt had reached base when he was hit by a pitch. Marshall led 2-1 through four innings.

The Herd went on to score four runs in the fifth, two runs in the sixth and four more runs over the final three innings. The Falcons scored one run in the seventh, off of Jeff Warnock's single. Bowling Green scored three

in the bottom of the ninth when Nate Henschen homered with two outs. It was his second home run of the season. The Falcons' comeback attempt fell short as Reimold popped out to end the game.

"[Saturday's win] gave us one game but we're at home, we need to win series," Schmitz said. "We're down to three week-ends left and we're getting some help throughout the league, but we're going to take care of our own business. [Sunday] was a big game and we didn't show very good colors today."

Marshall's Grant Harper pitched a four-hit shut out in Friday's series opener. The Herd scored in the third inning and went on to win 5-0.

Steve Raska had two of Bowling Green's four hits and the Falcons committed four errors in the game.

The Falcons fall to 13-19 overall and 6-10 in the MAC after the weekend. Bowling Green will play Ohio State on Wednesday in Columbus for a non-confer-

# Browns trying to reach deal with White

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"I didn't expect to be on the board this long, but I'm glad Cleveland gave me the opportunity in the fourth round," Suggs said.

Despite drafting Suggs, Davis said the Browns are still trying to reach a long-term deal with backup Jamel White.

"This has no bearing whatsoever on any of the running backs on this team," he said of the pick.

Davis acknowledged that taking a long snapper in the fifth round was a bit of a stretch, but said the Browns knew five other teams were looking for one.

The Browns had a need at long snapper after Ryan Kuehl was signed by the New York Giants, who lost the NFC wild-card game when a horrible snap on the final play prevented a field goal attempt.

"I think a lot of teams understand that it's a real skill and you can't just take a guy off the street and rely on them to get the job done," Pontbriand said.

The selection of Garay adds team speed, but he also comes with question marks, not having played an entire season since 1999 because of various injuries.

And even though the Browns added Thompson at linebacker, Davis said they will still try to sign Miller, who missed last season with a torn Achilles' tendon.

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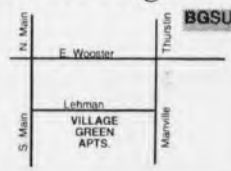
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## SARS forces closings in Beijing

By Christopher Bodeen  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BEIJING — Karaoke parlors, movie theaters and discos shut their doors Sunday under orders from Beijing officials trying to contain the spread of SARS, which claimed more lives in the Chinese capital, Hong Kong, Taipei and Singapore.

As Beijing health officials recorded eight new deaths and said as many as 2,300 people might be infected, hundreds of construction workers labored around the clock to build a 1,000-bed isolation ward for SARS

patients. A ninth person died elsewhere in mainland China, bringing its total to 131, and 12 more died in Hong Kong.

Taiwan, which reported its first SARS death, imposed a mandatory 10-day quarantine on travelers from areas affected by the virus — including mainland China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Vietnam and Toronto — but did not announce where those travelers would stay while quarantined.

Those violating the quarantine, including foreigners, can be jailed for up to two years or fined up to \$8,600, Premier Yu Shi-kun said.

Singapore said it would close dozens of food markets and ban visits to public hospitals to contain its outbreak.

SARS, or severe acute respiratory syndrome, has killed 318 people from Beijing to Toronto in the past several months and sickened more than 4,800 others worldwide. There have been no SARS deaths in the United States.

Beijing has been the hardest-hit locality, with 56 deaths and 1,114 confirmed cases. Another 1,191 people in the capital are suspected of harboring the virus, the Health Ministry said.

Beijing has sealed off three hospitals in a mass quarantine of patients and staff, and 7,600 people who may have been exposed have been ordered to stay home. The city's public schools also are closed, affecting 1.7 million students.

On Sunday, Beijing authorities ordered all entertainment venues — theaters, Internet cafes and clubs — shut to "stop possible spread of the SARS virus and ensure public health," the official Xinhua New Agency said.



Ng Han Guan AP Photo

**OUTBREAK:** Chinese go to work with masks on the streets of Beijing, China. Public alarm about the SARS virus has recently soared.

## U.S. troops find possible chemical stash

By Louis Meixler  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAIJI, Iraq (AP) — The Iraqi chief liaison to U.N. weapons inspectors surrendered to U.S. forces Sunday, even as one officer said his troops may have found what the inspectors never could: a drum containing chemicals used to disable and kill.

Lt. Gen. Hossam Mohammed Amin — No. 49 on the U.S. list of the 55 most-wanted figures from the regime of Saddam Hussein,

the six of clubs in the deck of fugitive playing cards — was taken into custody in Baghdad.

Capt. Kellie Rourke, division battle captain with the 101st Airborne Division, said Amin surrendered to soldiers of the division's 2nd Brigade, and was taken to the international airport for questioning.

Also known as Hossem Mohammed Amin al-Yasin, he was among the key figures in Saddam's weapons programs. He

would be expected to have detailed knowledge of any illegal armaments — where they might be found, if they exist.

The discovery of a dozen 55-gallon drums in an open field near the northern Iraqi town of Baiji may prove to be a turning point in the search for those weapons of mass destruction — if it is confirmed they contained banned chemical weapons.

Lt. Col. Ted Martin of the 10th Cavalry Regiment said troops

went to the site at midnight Friday after having been alerted by U.S. Special Forces teams. Their suspicions had been raised by the presence of surface-to-air missiles guarding the area.

When a chemical team checked the drums, one tested positive for the nerve agent cyclosarin and for a blister agent which could have been mustard gas, Martin said.

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# U.N. weapons inspectors arrested

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"I am satisfied that it is sarin," Martin said Sunday.

He said soldiers also found two mobile laboratories containing equipment for mixing chemicals, but they appeared to have been looted.

Mustard gas burns skin, eyes and lungs; it was used extensively in World War I. Exposure to high amounts of cyclosarin may lead to loss of muscle control, twitching, paralysis, unconsciousness, convulsions, coma, and death within minutes.

But more tests were being conducted. By design, initial tests favor positive readings, erring on the side of caution to protect soldiers.

There have been numerous false reports that coalition forces have turned up chemical or biological weapons. So the U.S. Central Command was measured in its response to the discovery.

By contrast, Central Command trumpeted Amin's arrest. Thirteen of the 55 most-wanted figures are now in coalition hands. Three others are believed to be dead.

During the U.N. inspectors' long, fruitless search for chemi-

cal, biological and nuclear weapons, they had to deal with Amin, head of Iraq's monitoring commission for more than a decade.

Amin and his troops refused to allow U.N. inspectors into presidential palaces and other "sensitive sites" during the first round of U.N. inspections that ended in 1998. He was also one of the few Iraqis authorized to comment on weapons of mass destruction.

Amin is believed to be British-educated and has a masters degree in radar and communication engineering.

A former air force communications engineer, his career took off in 1980 when Saddam Hussein established the military's Technical and Scientific Committee, a weapons research and development think tank.

It later became the Military Industrialization Organization, responsible for producing all of Iraq's most lethal weapons.

Others members included Gen. Amer Rashid, Iraq's oil minister, and Amir al-Saadi, Saddam's senior weapons adviser, who is also in custody.



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**INSPECTIONS:** Hossam Mohammed Amin, the chief of Iraqi liaison officer to the U.N. weapons inspection teams, speaks to reporters in the press center at the Iraqi Information Ministry in Baghdad, Iraq.

## BG NEWS BRIEFING

### U.S. Army reaching out to Mosul population to restore stability

MOSUL, Iraq (AP) — Joint police patrols began Saturday in Mosul — one measure among many initiated by American forces to establish order and trust between the troops and a tense city of 700,000 people.

After two straight days without any reports of attacks on U.S. forces, "we feel that security has dramatically improved in the city," said Maj. Gen. David Petraeus, commander of the 101st Airborne Division.

Mosul is among Iraq's most volatile cities, shared uneasily by several ethnic groups

### GOP looks to heal internal rifts as Congress resumes work on taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Republicans plan a four-week sprint they hope will produce a big tax-cutting bill and other victories for President Bush, but it is unclear whether the party's internal ideological and institutional rifts will let them do it.

Ending a two-week Easter recess, the Senate resumes work Monday, the House on Tuesday. The break began with House GOP leaders furiously accusing their Senate colleagues of hatching a secret deal with moderate senators to shrink Bush's proposed tax cut. It also saw conservative and moderate Republicans sniping at each other, at times with television ads.

### Menem in tight race with two candidates in Argentina presidential vote

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — Former President Carlos Menem, bidding for a third term in office, faces two other leading presidential candidates Sunday in an election so tight that opinion polls suggest a runoff will be necessary next month.

The vote is shaping up as one of the closest in Argentina's history, highlighting deep divisions over who should lead Latin America's third-largest economy out of the doldrums following a debt default and a bruising currency devaluation.

### Charlton Heston too feeble to give speech at end of NRA presidency

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Charlton Heston made his last appearance as president of the National Rifle Association on Saturday, shuffling onto the stage before a crowd of 4,000 NRA members but too feeble to give a farewell speech.

The actor, diagnosed with symptoms of Alzheimer's disease, was strong enough to raise an 1866 Winchester rifle over his head and deliver his trademark line, "From my cold, dead hands."

He received a standing ovation but only spoke three more sentences at the annual NRA meeting Saturday.

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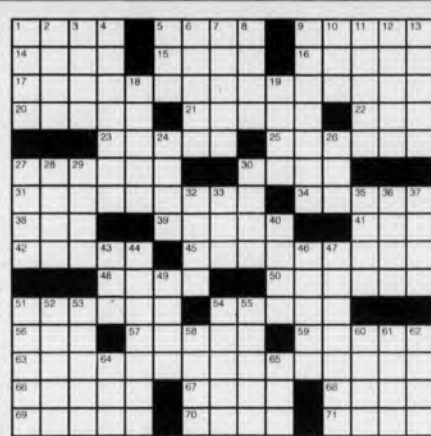
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Cover photo: From the kickoff of  
Greek Week, which is known as  
the Unity Walk

**UNITY:** Greek Week 2003 was kicked off with a special unity walk with representatives from each of the four Greek councils. As Greek Week took place in April, Springfest did as well, in efforts to promote unity between all chapters.

## Office offers recruitment advice

by Michael Ksenyak

Campus organizations tend to have revolving doors, but the recruitment of new membership can help sustain the group and its cause.

A resource for organizations is the Office of Campus Involvement, which recently put on a recruitment workshop to help organizations learn useful ways of how to attract new members.

"Groups can get set in their ways and don't often know new or useful approaches to recruit members," Lyndsey Hulen, graduate assistant in the Office of Campus Involvement, said. "We did the recruitment workshop at the beginning of the semester because groups are interested in building up their membership status," she said.

Hulen explained that one of the activities at the workshop was for people to pair up, having one person try to sell the other an object. If somebody can sell an object they can also sell their organization, she said.

A key point that Hulen made at the workshop was that personal communication is most important. She explained that if somebody new to an organization walks into an open house, the best thing to do is make a connection with that person.

"How to end the conversation with them is extremely important," she said. "It is best to leave the contact open and let them know how to get a hold of you." Other lessons during the workshop were that recruitment should be a year-round process, not just at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters.

Hulen also discussed that being creative is the best way to sell an organization. Making flyers and posters can become quite expensive for a campus organization, and some of her alternative methods were mentioning the information before class, leaving information on chalkboards or making table tents.

The goal is not only to recruit new members, but to appreciate current members as

well, Hulen said. "It is important to show the ones who remain that they make up the organization and are important."

Acquiring more members is not just to increase the size of an organization. Groups that are registered with the university and receive funding must follow certain guidelines.

Registered groups must keep at least 10 members in their organization. The 10 members must be full-time BGSU students. Also, 75 percent of the membership must be students.

"We've done a better job of identifying organizations and defining them," Gordy Heminger, interim coordinator of student organization services, said. "We have a better handle on what kinds of groups there are on campus and how many."

Despite all of the strategies that exist, there are no set guidelines that will work well for every group, said Hulen.

"It's a trial and error thing," she said. "There's no rhyme or reason to it."

**THE GAVEL**



**COMMUNITY SERVICE****BGSU wins Recycle Mania**

by Michael Ksenyak  
BGSU has won the Recycle Mania competition for the second year in a row.

Recycle Mania, which started in 2001, is a competition between eight universities in the United States. Last year was the first year that BGSU participated and won. It lasts for 10 weeks and the school with the most recycled items wins.

BGSU has about 6,000 students living on-campus this year out of about 20,000 enrolled. The school competed against Miami University, Ohio University, Harvard University, the University of Oregon, Western Michigan University, Ohio State University and Washington University.

Every week the recyclables were measured in pounds per number of students who live on campus. BGSU averaged 4.6 to 5.6 pounds per on-campus resident and won the competition with a total of 52.5 pounds per on-campus student. The University of Oregon placed second and Miami University placed third.

According to a press release, the goals of

Recycle Mania are to have fair and friendly competition, increase recycling participation by students and staff, heighten awareness of the school's waste management and recycling programs, expand economic opportunities while addressing environmental issues and lower waste generated on-campus.

"It's a good opportunity to learn about this," Michelle Ruhlin, public relations coordinator, said. "Not everything about this is covered in the majors here and this is a good way for people to become aware and to develop skills."

Recycle Mania start-

ed on February 3 and lasted until Sunday, April 13. The program is part of facilities services at the University. The department delivers public services to the campus like utilities and trash.

Over the past 10 years, the program has received about \$380,000 in grants. Some funding comes from the university for this, too. The general fee funding is about \$54,000, but only about one percent of that goes towards the recycling programs.

In addition to saving the earth, the program promotes cost avoidance. (Continued on page 6)

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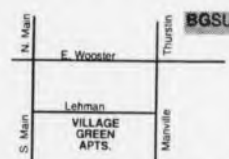
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## GREEK PROFILE

Historically African-American and Latino  
Greeks share similar traditions

Q: What do the letters NPHC and GIB stand for?

A: NPHC stands for the National Panhellenic Council, which is the governing body for nine historically African American fraternities and sororities. These include Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Zeta Phi Beta, and Sigma Gamma Rho Sororities, Inc., and Alpha Phi Alpha, Kappa Alpha Psi, Phi Beta Sigma, Omega Psi Phi, and Iota

Phi Theta Fraternities, Inc. Of these, seven are active at Bowling Green State University.

GIB stands for the Greek Independent Board, which is a local council that governs chapters that are not a part of the other three councils (NPHC, Panhellenic Council, and the Interfraternity Council) on a local basis.

Currently, only two chapters are part of GIB. These are Sigma Lambda Beta Fraternity, Inc. and

Sigma Lambda Gamma Sorority Inc. These are both the largest Latino-based organizations in the country.

Q: How do I get into one of these organizations?

A: GIB and NPHC chapters do not conduct formal recruitment in the same way as other Greek organizations do. They participate in a process called "intake," where the organizations separately hold

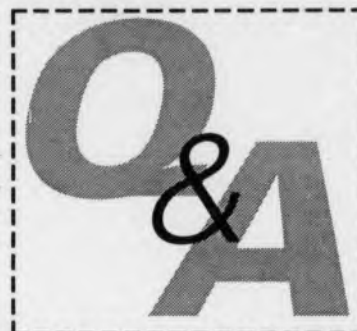
information sessions and invite interested students to interviews and chapter functions. Then, once a prospective member is chosen and accepts an invitation, they begin that organization's secret initiation process.

Q: What are the benefits of joining one of these organizations?

A: The benefits of joining historically African American and Latino Greek organizations are the same as joining any other Greek chapter. Students make connections with peers while in school, creating a social and academic network. Upon graduation, members of Greek organizations may make connections with other members of the group in order to help make wise career choices and to help search for job opportunities.

Q: What is a neo?

A: The term "neo" is short for "neophyte," which refers to a newly inducted member of the organization. In some groups, a person is considered a "neo" until the next line crosses.



Q: What is a line? What is a crossing?

A: A line, or ship, is a group of people that are joining an organization at the same time. In other organizations, this is known as a "pledge class" or "associate member class."

"Crossing" refers to becoming an actual member of the organization, often times with the rights to attend private meetings and to vote. Other organizations may name this "initiation," "activation," or "induction."

Q: What is the point of the hand signs that those Greeks flash around?

A: Hand signs are one of the ways in which members of each organization identify with each other. It is a way to show unity within the organization, and especially to display that unity to others. Members of NPHC and GIB organizations can frequently be seen with these hand signs in photos.

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Only members of each respective organization should call or throw hand signs.

Q: What is on all of those elaborate jackets?

A: Many members of these organizations own jackets that are personalized with information about their national organization, chapter, lines, and themselves. Most commonly, jackets display the owner's line name, which is a special name with sig-

nificance to only that person. At the bottom right of this page, Chaynae Moore's line name is "Drama Queen." Other items on a jacket include the organization's Greek letters, the chapter name, the number assigned to the member in the line or in their chapter, the organization's crest, and ship name. There are several other possibilities, depending on the member.

Q: What is a step show?

A: A step show is a program, usually hosted by either a council or a single organization, in which members of different organizations perform synchronized movements on stage. This is usually a combination of stepping, which are the precision, timed movements; strolling, which is another form of synchro-

nized movement in a line that is performed to music, calling, and hand signs.

Often, step shows take the form of a competition and awards are given to the best fraternity and sorority in the show.

Q: How can I find out about an organization if I am interested?

A: If you are interested in an African-



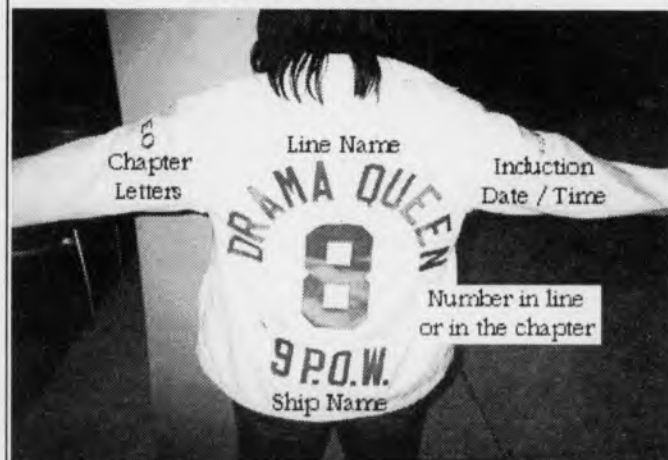
**NEOS:** Some of the newest members of Phi Beta Sigma and Zeta Phi Beta show their unity.

American or Latino-based Greek organization, the simplest way to get involved is to approach one of the members of the group. Making that initial contact is one way that you can make an impression on the current mem-

bers. If you can't find one of the members, there are events such as "Meet the Greeks" that provide such opportunities. If all else fails, you can contact the Office of Greek Affairs or The Gavel.

**THE GAVEL**

## The Jacket



**EXPLAINED:** Many African American and Latino Greeks have jackets made with various information about themselves, their lines, their organization, and their chapter. This jacket belongs to Chaynae Moore of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.



**1986:** Sigma Lambda Beta Fraternity, Inc. is the nation's largest Latino-based collegiate fraternity. The Nu Beta Chapter here at BGSU is the newest chapter in the organization.



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## Chapter remembers sisters lost in Columbus fire

ATHENS, Ohio -- In addition to the statement released by the university, the women of the Zeta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta would like to share our fondest memories of our three cherished sisters.

Erin Demarco was one of the most energetic members of our chapter. Her natural humor lifted everyone's spirits around her. She was a good student who was willing to give the time to help others to excel as she did in her studies. Her sociable personality kept her active in both sorority and campus activities.

Christine Wilson always had a cheery disposition and a smile on her face. Her exuberance was contagious and was sure

to brighten up anyone's day. She was voted "best dressed" of her pledge class and she enjoyed keeping up with the latest styles. Her sincere ability to empathize with others was apparent in her everyday interactions and will be truly missed.

Andrea Dennis

"Denny" was one of the most active and charismatic members of our house. Despite her petite stature she had a giant heart and quick wit. Her unconditional love radiated continuously as she was always willing to lend an ear and share advice. She was a leader and member of the recruitment team and was looking forward to our upcoming recruitment. Always enthusiastic she

kept the well being of the chapter and its members close to her heart.

While each unique sister will be deeply missed we will always keep their memories and spirits alive in our hearts. The families and friends of the three women sincerely appreciate the loving support of the Ohio University community. All of our thoughts and prayers are with their families.

Editor's Note:

Information for contributing to memorial funds for the students may be obtained by contacting the Ohio University Dean of Students' office at (740) 593-1800 or deanstu@www.ohiou.edu.

## Recycle Mania

(Continued from page 3)  
If all of the recyclables were just taken to the landfill, the university would have to pay a certain amount of money per pound. Instead, that money is given to the recycling program, which

works out to about \$36.30 per pound.

"I became involved in this because I like to be doing something with a higher purpose," Craig Wittig, recycling director and coordinator, said. "I think this has become sec-

ond nature for most people though. I enjoy what we do because we get to think of different, new and better ways to handle recycling."

**THE GAVEL**

Two guys were hiking through the jungle when they spotted a tiger who looked both hungry and fast. One of the guys reached into his pack and pulled out a pair of Nikes. His friend looked at him.



"Do you really think those shoes are going to make you run faster than that tiger?"

"I don't have to run faster than that tiger," his friend replied. "I just have to run faster than you."





## WE'VE GOT THE LAST WORD...

### Opinion Page

### Greeks urged to unite

Now is the time to show our strength. Our Greek sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta have lost a part of their family in the recent Ohio State University tragedy, and it is our duty to reach out. When you joined your respective organizations, you also joined part of a larger group.

There are somewhere around 350,000 active members of Greek organizations on over 800 college campuses in the United States. Quite a large support net, eh? Let our Greek unity shine

through, and show why we truly became brothers and sisters of Greek life.

Community is defined as a unified body of individuals; or a group of people with a common characteristic or interest, living together within a larger society. Times of need let us see what we really have.

Our campus has over 2,000 students involved in Greek organizations. That's 2,000 people that we have to rely on. 2,000 people that understand what you went through and what you

have.

We all have our brothers and sisters in our respective organizations, but reach out to the rest of the community. When you see someone wearing letters other than your own, don't scowl or avoid eye contact. Make the independents around you wonder why you get along so well. Smile; say good morning; ask how their day is, or how recruitment is going for their group.

What I'm preaching is not elitism. Don't EXCLUDE independents; rather make them want to

include themselves in our community. Greeks truly do run this campus. We make a difference in Bowling Green. We hang Christmas Lights downtown, we clean the highways surrounding the city, we pick up trash around campus, we raise money for countless different charities, and we all get along while doing it. The individual pride in our letters shines through, but let's find the pride in being a Greek Community, and let that shine.

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